PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of Serial No/: Filed: For: Examiner:

Johnson

09/880,615

June 13, 2001

Stent Drug Delivery System

Jeremy Cozart

Group Art Unit:

3726

Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

Docket No.: S63.2-9949

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

1. In regard to the above-identified application, we are submitting the attached: 1 page Letter to Examiner; 1 page copy of Restriction Requirement; 1 page copy of Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission; VAS transmittal; and return postcard.

- 2. With respect to fees:
 - No additional fee is required.
 - Attached is check(s) in the amount of \$
 - Charge additional fee to our Deposit Account No. 22-0350.

3. CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

This conditional petition is being filed along with the papers identified in Item 1 above and provides for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time or for a petition and fee for any other matter petitionable to the Commissioner as required. If any extension of time for the accompanying response is required or if a petition for any other matter is required, by petitioner, Applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.

4. Notwithstanding paragraph 2 above, if any additional fees associated with this communication are required and have not otherwise been paid, including any fee associated with the Conditional Petition for Extension of Time, or any request in the accompanying papers for action which requires a fee as a petition to the Commissioner, please charge the additional fees to Deposit Account No. 22-0350. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment associated with this communication to the Deposit Account No. 22-0350.

VIDAS, ARRETT & STEINKRAUS

Date:

February 22, 2002

By:

Jonathan Grad

Registration No. 41,795

6109 Blue Circle Drive, Suite 2000 Minnetonka, MN 55343-9185 Telephone: (952) 563-3000 Facsimile: (952) 563-3001

Certificate Under 37 CFR 1.8: I hereby certify that this Transmittal Letter and the paper(s) as described herein, are being deposited in the U.S. Postal Service, as FIRST CLASS MAIL, addressed to Commissioner for Patents, Washington D.C. 20231, on February 22, 2002.

Rebecca M. Painschab

PATENT

E UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Johnson

Application No.:

09/880,615

Filed:

June 13, 2001

For:

Stent Drug Delivery System

Examiner:

Jeremy Cozart

Group Art Unit:

3726

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Docket No.: 863.2-9949

LETTER TO EXAMINER

On January 28, 2002, Applicant's attorney, Jonathan Grad spoke to Examiner Cozart regarding an Office Action Restriction Requirement. Applicant filed a Response to the Restriction Requirement via facsimile on January 28, 2002. On January 29, 2002 an Official Action Restriction Requirement was issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). Applicant encloses herewith a copy of the faxed Response to Restriction Requirement along with the Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission received from the USPTO.

Respectfully submitted,

VIDAS, ARRETT & STEINKRAUS

Date: February 22, 2002

By:

Jonathan Grad

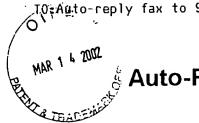
Registration No.: 41,795

6109 Blue Circle Drive, Suite 2000

Minnetonka, MN 55343-9185

Telephone: (952) 563-3000 Facsimile: (952) 563-3001

F:\WPWORK\JG\9949-LET.222



Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission



TO:

Fax Sender at 9525633001

Fax Information

Date Received: Total Pages:

1/28/02 4:23:57 PM [Eastern Standard Time]

2 (including cover page)

ADVISORY: This is an automatically generated return receipt confirmation of the facsimile transmission received by the Office. Please check to make sure that the number of pages listed as received in Total Pages above matches what was intended to be sent. Applicants are advised to retain this receipt in the unlikely event that proof of this facsimile transmission is necessary. Applicants are also advised to use the certificate of facsimile transmission procedures set forth in 37 CFR 1.8(a) and (b), 37 CFR 1.6(f). Trademark Applicants, also see the Trademark Manual of Examining Procedure (TMEP) section 702.04 et seq.

Received Cover Page =====>

| | 01 VIDAS ARRETT STEINKRAUS | Ø001/002 |
|---|---|---------------------------------------|
| | | |
| 1 | | |
| | · | |
| | | PATENT |
| וא דאו | E UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMAR | K OFFICE |
| in Re Application of: | Jahason | : |
| erial No.: | 09/880,615 | |
| Yied: | June 13, 2001 | į į |
| l'or: | STENT DRUG DELIVERY SYSTEM | 1 : |
| Examiner: | Jeremy Cozart | |
| Group Art Unit: | 3726 | 1. |
| | | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |
| C: mmissioner for Patent Wishington, D.C. 20231 | | Docket No: S63,2-9949 |
| · magina sionaria | | |
| | FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL LETTE | B |
| | FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL DETTE | i |
| To: Examiner Jeremy | | DATE: January 28, 2002 |
| FACSIMILE NO.: (703 | | TIMB: 3 22 prn. |
| G ROUP ART UNIT: 3 | 726 | |
| | \circ | |
| TI)TAL NUMBER OF | PAGES (including cover letter): | |
| D. ar Examiner Cozart | | : |
| | | |
| Enclosed s | please find the following documents for your review | EW: |
| 1 page Res | sponse to Restriction Requirement and 1 page Pac | esimile Transmittal Letter |
| Diesce che | rge any additional fees or credit any overpayment | associated with this |
| ec rumunication to Deposit | | : |
| | Respectfully submitted, | |
| | VIDAS, ARRETT & STE | INKRAUS |
| | · ///:/X | / : |
| | By: Spathar Grad | |
| | Registration No. 4 | 1,795 |
| 61)9 Blue Circle Drive, St | | |
| M:unetonku, MN 55343-9 Telephone: (952) 563-30 | | |
| Fa ssimile: (952) 563-300 | | |
| | | : : |
| Certificate of Transmission | | of Server Demon and Tradement |
| Certificate of Transmission I hereby certify that this corr | espondence is being facsimile transmitted to the Unite | o actes term ma tienemer |
| I h reby certify that this corr Of icc, Fax No. (703) 872-93 | 302 on January 28, 2072. | : |
| I h reby certify that this corr | 302 on January 28, 2072. | : |
| I h reby certify that this corr Of icc, Fax No. (703) 872-93 | 102 on January 28, 2007. regn signing this certificate: | : |